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Jay P. Douglas Executive Director Virginia Board of Nursing 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300 Richmond. VA 23233-1463

RE: Final Regulations for the Board of Nursing:

Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing
Regulations Governing the Certification of Nurse Aides
Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners
Regulations Governing Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners
Regulations Governing the Certification of Massage Therapists
Regulations Governing the Registration of Medication Aides

Dear Ms. Douglas:

I have reviewed the Final Regulations, as cited above, in accordance with the Administrative Process Act. The amended regulations to increase fees to applicants, licensees, certificate holders and nursing education programs are constitutional and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

Sincerely,

Howard M. Casway

Senior Assistant Attorney General

cc: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator Department of Health Professions